

**THIS IS A DRAFT AND WILL BE REPLACED BY THE FINAL, SIGNED
ORDINANCE OR RESOLUTION ADOPTED BY CITY COUNCIL.**

ORDINANCE

**APPROVING THE DONATION AGREEMENT WITH ENRIQUE
CARBAJAL, AKA SEBASTIAN, AND SIEMPRE MEXICO, INC.
FOR THE DONATION OF THE SCULPTURE “LA PUERTA DE
LA IGUALDAD” (THE DOOR OF EQUALITY).**

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WHEREAS, almost 20 years ago, the City of San Antonio received “Antorcha de Amistad” (The Torch of Friendship), a monumental gateway sculpture created by renowned Mexican sculptor Enrique Carbajal, known professionally as Sebastian, as a gift of state from the Mexican government and San Antonio’s Mexican business community; and

WHEREAS, in 2019, the City-wide exhibit “Sebastian in San Antonio: 50+ Years / 20+ Sites / 100+ Works” was coordinated by the Department of Arts & Culture and its collaborative partners in order to celebrate Sebastian’s more than 50-year career; and

WHEREAS, in 2020, a second downtown gateway sculpture by Sebastian entitled “La Puerta de la Igualdad” (The Door of Equality), representing the infinite struggle for justice and equality, is being gifted to the City of San Antonio and the piece was designed to be located at the center of the San Pedro Avenue roundabout; and

WHEREAS, the sculpture is valued at \$800,000.00 and is being donated in recognition of the City’s generosity and work on Sebastian’s City-wide retrospective, as well as a symbol of Sebastian’s love for San Antonio and passion for geometric symbolism; and

WHEREAS, the San Antonio Arts Commission approved the donation of the sculpture in November 2019; **NOW THEREFORE:**

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:

SECTION 1. The terms and conditions of a Donation Agreement between the City of San Antonio, Enrique Carbajal and Siempre Mexico, Inc. for the purpose of transferring possession and ownership of a sculpture entitled “La Puerta de la Igualdad” to the City, to be permanently located at the center of the San Pedro roundabout, are hereby approved and authorized. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to execute the Donation Agreement, a copy of which, previously executed by Enrique Carbajal and Siempre Mexcio, Inc., is attached to this Ordinance as Exhibit I.

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SECTION 2. The City Manager, or his designee, is authorized to accept the donation of the “La Puerta de la Igualdad” sculpture, valued at \$800,000.00, from Enrique Carbajal and Siempre Mexico, Inc.

SECTION 3. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon the receipt of eight affirmative votes; otherwise it shall be effective ten days after its passage.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 30th day of January, 2020.

M A Y O R
Ron Nirenberg

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Leticia M. Vacek, City Clerk

Andrew Segovia, City Attorney